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We could gain from council 'carve-ups'

Warrandyte could run out winner in the spate of municipal boundary changes and council amalgamations now taking place across Melbourne suburbs.

This is the view of local MP, Phil Honeywood.

"While there have been many critics of the local government amalgamation process, not a great deal of attention has been placed to date on the possible advantages," Phil Honeywood told the *Diary*.

For Warrandyte township, which has long been split between two councils—Doncaster-Templestowe and Eltham—there may be some very real opportunities. He cites three possible ways in which amalgamation could assist Warrandyte.

"Doncaster council has been required—some might say for the first time—to take a long hard look at how Warrandyte, Park Orchards and the

Green Wedge east of Mullum Mullum Creek fit into the character of the municipality.

"Far from seeing the area as a 'thorn in the side', or a 'backwater' of the municipality, some councillors are actually inclined to now look favorably upon our area.

"One would like to think that this change of attitude has been for all the right reasons, such as valuing our unique bushland setting. However, the fact that the Local Government Board has requested councils to have a minimum of 100,000 residents, may also have something to do with it.

"In other words, Doncaster council may prefer to stick with us rather than incorporate parts of Heidelberg city, for example. Doncaster municipality already has approximately 100,000 residents."

The end result of this scenario being played out, according to Phil Honeywood, is that our community might finish up becoming a "much-loved and wanted asset of Doncaster after all".



"It might be appropriate to name it the City—or Shire—of Middle Yarra."

PHIL HONEYWOOD

For some years many Warrandyte residents have lamented that the Yarra River has been used to impose an awkward split through the heart of Warrandyte, even for electorate boundary purposes.

"Not surprisingly," Phil Honeywood said, "some have hoped that the day would come when the similar conser-

vation values of our area could be embraced in the one municipality." He is of the strong view that such an entity could be known as the council of Middle Yarra.

"However, the rate base of such a municipality might well be inadequate if it did not include the urban areas of Eltham, Doncaster and Templestowe.

"Despite this difficult financial constraint, I am confident that an across-the-river municipality will be given serious consideration by the Local Government Board. Like a number of other residents, I hope that Eltham would be amicable to such a change, despite our recent difficulties with the Warrandyte-Park Orchards Green Wedge not having the total support of councillors."

A third scenario involves an argument that the Yarra River forms a natural western boundary for Doncaster-Templestowe, with the southern boundary being the Koonung Creek-Eastern Freeway reservation, leaving only Doncaster's eastern boundary for possible expansion.

"I see benefits for Warrandyte and Park Orchards if this third scenario is acted upon. The Shire of Lillydale may well move further eastward, to include the Upper Yarra region. This might leave Wonga Park and its complementary Green Wedge area available for incorporation into the present Doncaster council boundaries."

Phil Honeywood suggests that "it would be difficult to find areas that had a greater community of interest and more similar conservation values than those of Wonga Park, Park Orchards and Warrandyte.

"The addition of this area to our own would add to the importance of Green Wedge issues in our current council's perceptions. As other abutting councils, such as Ringwood and Croydon, have no experience managing Green Wedges zones, it would therefore seem a natural enhancement to our area.

"If Wonga Park was added to our municipality, it might be appropriate to name it the City—or Shire—of Middle Yarra."

Last call for arts award

Applications for the fourth Warrandyte Youth Arts Award close at the end of this month. Valued at \$5,000, the award is a joint project of Warrandyte Lions Club, the *Diary* and the Warrandyte Arts and Education Trust.

Offered each two years, the award is open to any young artist who usually lives in Warrandyte, aged between 18 and 25.

The term "artist" includes painters, potters, sculptors, craftspeople, dancers, singers, actors, musicians, writers, filmmakers, designers and any other young person intending to make their career in some form of artistic endeavor.

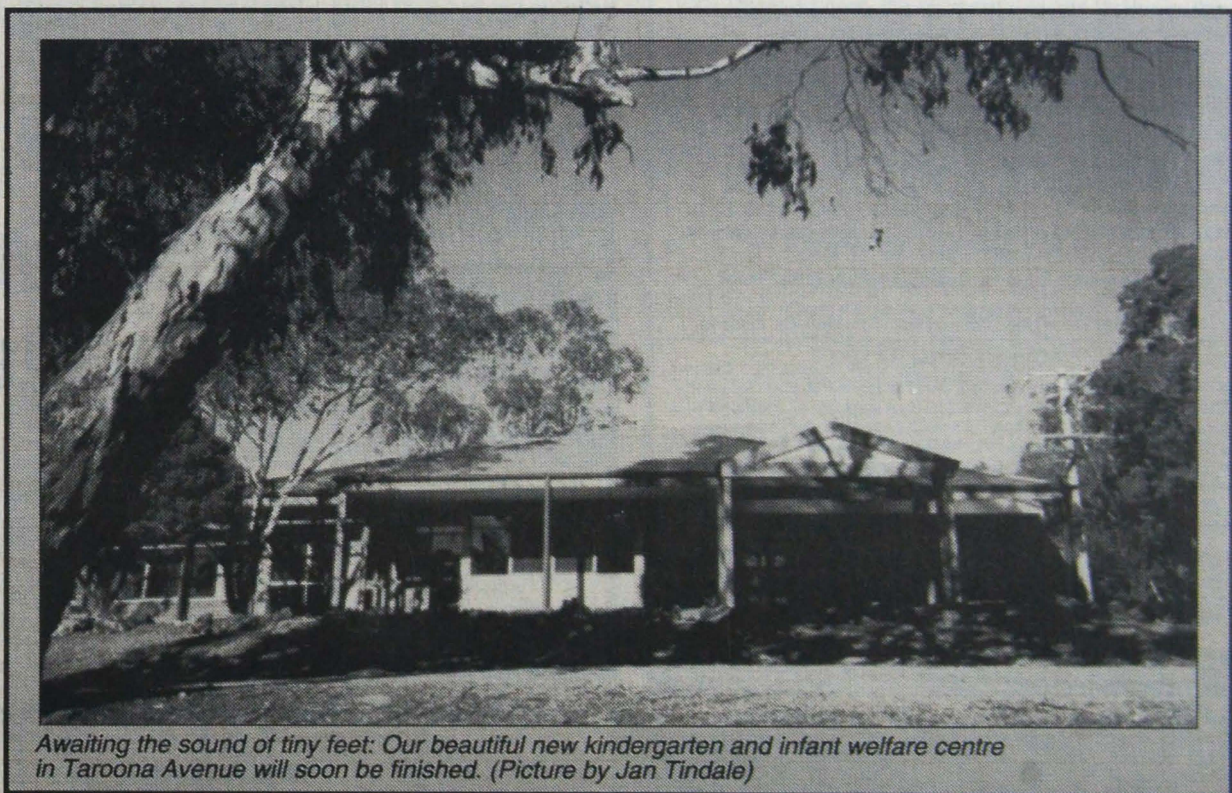
Previous awards have been won by a jeweller, two painters, a dancer and a singer.

It is intended that the \$5,000 scholarship—which is being donated by the Lions Club—should be used in ways that specifically suit the needs of



the winner. This could include tuition fees, a study tour abroad, a short-term basic living allowance or the purchase of equipment or materials.

Entries close on June 30, 1994 and the winner will be announced immediately prior to the Warrandyte Festival in March 1995. Further information and entry forms available at the Citizens Advice Bureau at the community centre, or by writing to the Warrandyte Youth Arts Award, PO Box 209, Warrandyte 3113.



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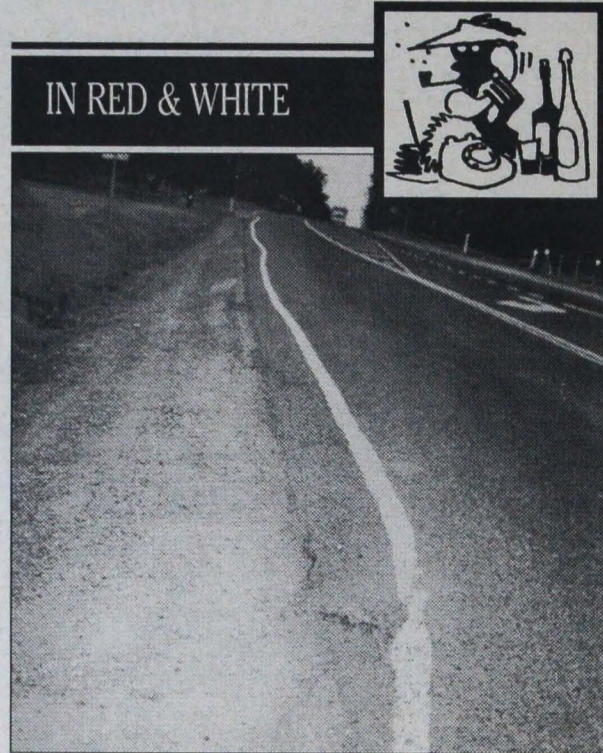
A full committee? We should drink to that

For a while there, the bar at Warrandyte Tennis Club was in danger of closing for want of volunteers to man it. But that was unthinkable—particularly to a dedicated band of singing-syrup enthusiasts who saw their whole lifestyles under threat. And so the WTC bar committee was born, under the presidency of "Tiger" Laing. The committee meets officially every fourth Wednesday and unofficially and extraordinarily much more often to do not very much at all except ensure the continuing high quality of the stuff that runs through the lines. And you can only do that by tasting it regularly, can't you? The chaps (including club president Greg Lawrence and past president Terry Booth) have their own monogrammed T-shirts and stubby-holders and a right jolly bunch it is. There are now 12 on the bar committee—which makes it bigger than the general club committee! We're delighted to see the WTC has its priorities right.

Never ever doubt the luck of the Irish. We told you last month how Jack Barr, our favourite Irishman, had pulled a \$1350 jackpot on one of the Grand Hotel's new poker machines. Well, he's been upstaged—by one of his kind. Local asphaltter Danny O'Sullivan has gone considerably better, with a \$5000 jackpot at the same venue. On Friday, May 13. Black Friday. When else?

We can tell you that Jim Harris, of Pound Bend Road, is NOT Irish. But with his luck, he should be. We've played a lot of golf with Jim and marvelled at the consistent flukes (he calls them calculated trick shots) which have turned double-bogeys into birdies and all that sort of nonsense. We also once saw him win not one but THREE crayfish raffles at a Lions Club smorgasbord at Portarlington. Jim's latest triumphant flirtation with Lady Luck has won him \$1350 worth of tailored-to-measure Tour Force golf clubs, bag and buggy in a members' raffle at the RACV Country Club at Healesville. What's more, he EXPECTED to win. Publicly nominated it. When you're as lucky as Jim Harris you can afford to think positive.

The north-west corner of the bar at the Warrandyte RSL Club is Peter (Bottles) Norman's corner. It has always been that way. At least, nobody can remember as far back as when it wasn't. It is Bottles' corner because, well, he moved in there aeons ago and declared it so. It is also the point closest to the pool table, a sward upon which he performs with an uncanny mixture of skill and good fortune. Yes, woe betide any man who should encroach, unwittingly or otherwise, on B's C.



Reynolds Road, between Tindals and Andersons Creek Roads, can be a long, winding road—if you follow the white line. Stick to it religiously at risk of being stopped on suspicion of .05.

Man, yes. But woman? That's a different story, particularly when it's a policewoman as pleasant and attractive as our own Senior Constable Kim Dixon. Kim dropped in at the club the other night to say hello and did Bottles raise the roof when she sat on HIS sacred stool in HIS sacred corner? On the contrary. You'd swear he'd just graduated as dux of charm school. You're unbelievable, Bottles!

Guess we shouldn't be hanging it on Peter, seeing as how he's just taken over as this newspaper's circulation manager. He succeeds Bruce Bence, a true *Diary* stalwart who will continue as a contributing writer. We know Peter will do a great job because everything he does he does with great verve. In true *Diary* tradition, we're not paying him very much. Not a cent, in fact. That's the way things have always worked around here—and why change a winning formula?

And it's welcome aboard to Mal Brown—no, not the former Richmond footballer with the mobile mouth, but a talented cartoonist whose work will henceforth grace the *Diary's* sports section. Mal and wife Anne are relative newcomers to Warrandyte and when he offered us his services we said yes please. You'll enjoy his lighter side of sport. It's goodbye, with regret and much thanks, to Joff Manders, whose cartoons have been illustrating our news pages for years. Increasing demands

for his professional cartooning talents have forced Joff to leave us. We'll miss him a lot.

A benefit night for Steve Brimacombe—the fastest man in Warrandyte, Australia and hopefully the Commonwealth—will be held at the local footy clubrooms on Saturday, July 9. It's a fundraiser for the Stawell Gift winner's trip to Canada for the Commonwealth Games in August. Entry is \$10 or thereabouts and the bar will be open. Top homegrown band No More Chilli Jam will be doing their thing and Steve himself has been known to get behind the mike. They probably won't have to twist his arm to get him to perform at his own benefit night.

Beryl Day, one of this town's most remarkable people, died early this month, a week before her 92nd birthday. Mrs Day, of Pound Bend Road, was an exceptional woman in many ways. Readers of this column will recall her skydiving from 10,000 feet last August for no other reason than "I'd heard what a good feeling it was and thought I'd like to try it". Next month's *Diary* will carry a full obituary on a grand lady.



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'Gentle' approach to streetscaping

By DAVID WYMAN

Local residents have been watching a variety of work progressing along our main streetscape and riverbank: power lines going underground, pedestrian refuges and new bus stops being built, carparks and riverside paths being remodelled. Work that has been planned for a number of years and is now being undertaken.

"We are trying to accommodate the local community's requirement in different types of servicing—to make things a bit softer to fit in with the Warrandyte area," Paul Molan, Doncaster council corporate manager, told the *Diary*.

Mr Molan said the undergrounding of electricity in the village area had delayed much

of the work. Further delays in upgrading the car parking area around the toilet block in Yarra Street were caused because council had to obtain approval from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

"Council does not own that land, it is administered by a committee of management," Mr Molan said.

Surface drainage has been installed in that carpark and concrete-based wooden kerbing has been constructed to formalise parking. A ramp has been constructed to link up with the riverside walk which has been upgraded with gravel between Stiggant Street and the bridge.

The bus stop area has been

improved with a concrete pavement to accommodate two buses and the Lions Club is considering erecting a directory-type sign there for visitors.

"The delays we have had with undergrounding of electricity and obtaining approvals may have caused many people to think that the recent work was not part of the streetscape scheme—which it was," Mr Molan said.

No further major work was planned for Warrandyte's streetscape this financial year but council has applied for funding from Melbourne Parks and Waterways for construction of a gravel riverside walkway between the township and the Stonehouse. "We won't know about this for a couple of

months," he said.

Mr Molan disclosed that the undergrounding of electricity in the village area had cost "a little more" money than expected and further streetscape work may have to wait until next year's budget before it could be considered.

"We hope to improve the open space and car parking area (opposite the end of Webb Street by the river) by putting some type of improved surface there. That's been a bit of a problem, but it's just a matter of finding the money for that now," he said.

"We are trying to consult with the local community there as much as we can and I think that people are starting to realise that."

Transport: we're all still waiting...

By CLINTON GRYBAS

Local residents are being forced to increasingly rely on cars for transport as Warrandyte's public transport system deteriorates.

Both the elderly and younger residents have been hardest hit, with Warrandyte's infrequent bus services failing to meet the requirements of those who need them most. Cr Val Polley is one who believes Warrandyte is poorly served by public transport.

"We are not served very well at all. From my perceptions things were probably better 30 years ago. There seemed to be more buses. Many of the buses today stop at Deep Creek—you're always seeing young people waiting down there for a Warrandyte bus to bring them through," she said.

While the Eastern Region Transport Review Committee is expected to release its report for public comment next month, Cr Polley said nothing has been mentioned specifically about Warrandyte.

"Buses need upgrading and improving. The National Bus Company has been discussing with Box Hill about getting a better service and providing feeder buses there. We need something, possibly feeders, for this area."

While defendants of the system point to the low number of users in the Warrandyte area, Cr Polley remarked that this is the case because the service isn't there for everyone. "An increased service would lead to increased usage."

"Parents living here become chauffeurs for a large part of their lives. There's not a lot to do for the young people in Warrandyte these days—they all want to go to the city or somewhere. Parents are nervous



about letting their kids travel on public transport at night. Children therefore can be made to feel very isolated out here," she said.

Changes to the routes of some buses in the last two years has made them less attractive to potential users, with a 10 minute trip by car to Ringwood taking some 35 by bus. Buses to the city that don't go along the Eastern Freeway, which only operates during peak times, now take 70 minutes or longer.

This leads to further reduced patronage. "Buses here from the city take so long. You get off the freeway and it's forever stopping," Cr Polley said. "You might need an express bus to Templestowe or something to make it more appealing. I used to get the bus but I found it just took so long."

Warrandyte residents could well follow the lead of the Park Orchards Ratepayers Association some years ago, when they held discussions and collected signatures for a petition for a better service. They got it. "It was a real instance of self-help to gain a self-improvement," Cr Polley said.

● **The *Diary* is looking for your comments on local transport. Drop us a line.**

New award for young achievers

Warrandyte Lions Club is organising and sponsoring a second youth award this year, as well as their involvement with the *Diary* in the well-established Warrandyte Youth Arts Award.

This new award will recognise and reward three young people between the ages of 16 and 18 who have shown a particular talent in leadership, community interest and service, academic or sporting achievement.

Any person aged over 16 or under 18 at the start of this year can be nominated, provided they live within five kilometres of the Warrandyte Post Office or attend Warrandyte High School. The Lions require a written summary of 600 words outlining the candidate's achievement, which is to be submitted by the candidate or their nominator.

Cash awards of \$500 for first prize, \$200 for second and \$100 for third will be awarded, with the same amount going to the school or eligible organisation nominating them.

Nominations close on July 15. Preliminary judging before a panel of three will be conducted on July 31 with final judging on August 11. This will include a five minute presentation from the final three candidates at a dinner meeting, to which their parents will also be invited.

"This is a unique opportunity for young people in the community to demonstrate what they have achieved and to be recognised and rewarded, a club spokesman told the *Diary*."

Nominations can be posted to the Lions at PO Box 18, Warrandyte, 3113. Further details can be obtained from the Lions opportunity shop at the community centre.

CITY OF DONCASTER & TEMPLESTOWE



AMALGAMATIONS Review of Local Government

The Victorian Government is currently in the process of reforming local government. The Minister for Local Government has decided that the City of Doncaster and Templestowe will be included, along with 38 other Councils within the Melbourne metropolitan area, in a review of municipal boundaries to be announced in June.

The review gives us – the Council and the community – the combined opportunity to consider how best to structure local government to meet the demands of the next century and is intended to provide a basis for more efficient municipalities that play an integral role in economic and regional development.

As yet, Council has not identified any options but has had several meetings with neighbouring and near neighbouring municipalities. The approach being taken by Council is to canvass a wide variety of views as a means of identifying possible options. A letter from the council will be delivered to your household this week with an enclosed questionnaire and a reply paid envelope. It also indicates how you can become involved. Please take the time to read the contents and respond to us.

The Council newsletter, UPDATE, will follow the letter and indicate how we are approaching this opportunity.

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Advisory Committee For Implementation Of The Horse Riding Strategy

Council is in the process of establishing an Advisory Committee to assist in the implementation of the Horse Riding Strategy.

The Committee will comprise of Councillors, representatives of local Horse Riding Clubs, two casual riding representatives and appropriate Council officers.

Council is now inviting applications in writing from casual horse riders resident within this municipality who may be interested in becoming members of this Committee.

Applications can be sent to Rob Dagnall, at the following address, by **Friday 24 June, 1994**.

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Wedge change worries WEL

The Warrandyte Environment League is very worried by the decision process followed by the City of Doncaster and Templestowe in its decision on the Park Orchards-Warrandyte planning zones.

Diary readers will be aware that the council is recommending to the minister that the present minimum subdivisional area in the Green Wedge be reduced from 18 acres to five, provided two conditions are met: the applicant bought the property prior to 1978 when the Green Wedge zonings were applied and that no more than three lots can so be created.

Apparently there is some argument about the wording of this part of the motion—three blocks maximum was the intent.

If implemented this decision would have a very real impact on the Green Wedge.

Phil Honeywood has been indicating more modest concessions to the pre-1978 owners would be acceptable—a single one acre lot off each 18 acre lot.

By bringing in the 10 acre owners and allowing subdivision over the whole of the land, the motion amounts to a rezoning of selected areas of the Green Wedge which will certainly lead to an effective five acre minimum as post-1978 owners front the appeals tribunal.

LETTERS



This could create an additional 180 odd lots in the Green Wedge.

This issue has been very difficult for our councillors and there must be sound reasons for them to have all supported a motion "coming from left field".

But what an extraordinary way for this to end. Moving towards a five acre minimum might bring stability to the area but at what cost?

There was no five acre option in the discussion paper because it had been

rejected, so the option now needs to be assessed against the original criteria.

Take a look at such developments in neighbouring municipalities.

Our area does not have the two elements that give a five acre development a chance of looking like Landscape Interest—good soil and mature bushland. If the land has been orchard or grazing country the result looks scruffy.

And to make such a decision just after Minister McLellan has approved a subdivision in the Lysterfield Green Wedge of the Shire of Sherbrooke!

The league suggests a second community meeting to give councillors an opportunity to walk us through the proposal in preparation for the inevitable public review hearings.

We would also welcome an alternative process to the extension of the agony of this issue which a public review will involve.

Doug Seymour
Warrandyte Environment League

(Our best information suggests that allowing pre-1978 owners of 10 acres or over to subdivide up to 3 x 5 acre lots will result in up to 30 additional lots in the zone.—C.G.)

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Home away from home

Further to your story on the development of seniors' housing on page three of the May issue. How I wish something like this was thought of sooner.

I lived in Warrandyte for 37 years. My husband went to school and grew up there. After he died I had to sell our property as I could not cope on my own.

How I wish I was back in Warrandyte—being able to keep my pets and the daily feeding of the magpies and kookas. I do miss Warrandyte.

I'm in a retirement village now. It's very nice

but it's not Warrandyte. I hope something comes of the units for senior citizens. I'd like to remind anyone who is against this proposal to look to the future—they too are getting old.

Don't kid yourselves too much—families are nice to have but when you are old sometimes you are a hindrance. Not always, but sometimes. It's sad to be alone—I know.

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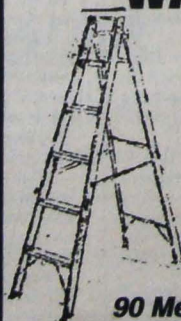
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What do firemen do in wintertime?



By BRUCE BENICE

Public conception that fire-fighters hibernate over winter was further dispelled last month when local brigades locked horns in a strenuous training exercise. Winter months are spent preparing for the next fire season, checking and updating equipment, polishing skills and becoming more familiar with all aspects of firefighting. These times can be more demanding than the actual season, unless it is a severe one.

One such example occurred late last month when the South Warrandyte brigade conducted a full scale exercise for the Lower

Yarra Group. Fifteen brigades took part in the exercise, along with the State Park crew and the Wonga Park brigade, who belong to another group.

Incidents in the exercise were both realistic and spectacular, designed to highlight the many aspects of firefighter training. Crews dealt with a multiple road accident, spot scrub fire, gas fire and driver training over a wide variety of terrain. A house fire with indications that people were inside required crews to carry out a search with full breathing apparatus.

The exercise was run in the form of a competition, where

the umpires at each incident awarded points for brigade performance. Kangaroo Ground took out first prize, St Andrews second and North Warrandyte third.

Three or four night-time exercises are conducted each year, testing crew capability on location and equipment operation in the dark. The latest exercise was co-ordinated by Peter Plant and Greg Kennedy from South Warrandyte, who estimated they spent some 200 hours organising the event.

Each of the 15 brigades had a crew of four and an officer on each unit, while Greg Kennedy took a number of observers from

various organisations to the incidents in the community bus.

The Salvation Army provided drinks, snacks and supper throughout the evening, while also catering dinner for South Warrandyte personnel and officials prior to the exercise.

The brigades taking part were Christmas Hills, Eltham, Kangaroo Ground, Kinglake, Kinglake West, North Warrandyte, Panton Hill, Research, two crews from Warrandyte and Wonga Park, Wattle Glen and Conservation and Resources with South Warrandyte providing personnel to assist in the control room and at the incidents.

Coming back to Sorrento

Warrandyte Drama Group are in rehearsal for their production of Hotel Sorrento, a stage play written by Hannie Rayson, currently being filmed around Melbourne.

Directed by Paddy Childs Green, the style and natural flow of the story and dialogue makes it rather unique, well deserving of its new film status. The story revolves around the Moynihan family at the seaside holiday resort of Sorrento on Port Philip Bay.

The audience will witness endearing, down-to-earth Australian humor, involving deep emotional family issues and a scrutiny of moral values.

Meg, the eldest sister, has written a novel nominated for the Booker Prize. It is a work of fiction but has some autobiographical flavor. Meg has two sisters, one older and one younger, who react differently to her literary interpretations. It's the proverbial 'opening up of a can of worms', and as a result, the sparks fly.

An enjoyable glimpse into the life of an all-too-comfortable Australian family.

Performances are on June 16, 17, 18, 23, 24 and 25 from 8pm at the Mechanics Institute Hall. Bookings can be made on 844 1265. Adults \$12, concession \$10.



Local actors feature in challenging family drama: (from left) Elizabeth Greenwood, Sue Dyring, Raine Dinale and Yvonne Morey.

Drama workshops planned

A series of workshops will be run by Warrandyte Drama Group later this year to provide an opportunity for people to experiment with theatre—and have lots of fun.

A group spokesperson said the aim of the workshops is to form an ensemble of actors and provide a space where they feel the freedom and safety to express themselves through movement, music, sound, gesture and text.

From this experience they will create a performance piece.

"Who knows what the final outcome will be, but it will be a valuable and exciting experience. The discovery and process is what is most important," the spokesperson said.

The group will try and create a bond between the actors by providing an atmosphere of trust. This should then lead the actors to take risks in order to

stretch themselves beyond their limits, through constructed game playing and the furnishing of material to explore, using chosen text, music, song, improvisation, impulse and gesture.

Discussion beforehand will establish the focus on which they hope the actors will concentrate.

Depending upon what is offered by the actors, they will write about their experiences as they happen and provide a text for a

performance.

The group says that those involved will not only have fun, they will learn new skills, more about themselves and the different processes used to promote creative inspiration.

The workshops will run for nine weeks in September through to November on either a Tuesday or Thursday evening at the Mechanics Hall. Enquiries can be made to 846 1191 or 844 3819.

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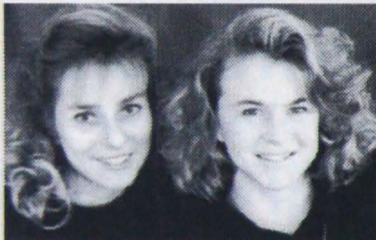
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A murder of ravens

By GLEN JAMESON

RAVENS and crows are not popular figures in Australian popular culture, coming in for a lot of fear and persecution. This contrasts with many older cultures across the world that hold these birds in esteem and weave them into a rich tapestry of myth and legend.

The corvid (crow) family are thought to be one of the most highly evolved of all birds. Their world-wide distribution (except New Zealand, South America and Antarctica) and the relative similarity between the different species, indicates the success of the basic 'black crow' type. Some ornithologists suggests that many Australian birds, such as all the flycatchers, warblers, babbler, robins, wrens, bowerbirds, birds of paradise, woodswallows and magpies, have evolved from a common ancient Gondwanan corvid ancestry.

Our negative attitude prevents us from appreciating the intelligence and survival skills of these wondrous birds. Of course we are not the only people through the ages who have been suspicious of ravens and crows. European legends and stories associate them with witches and wizards. They became a bird of evil omen in western Europe because viking raiders used them as an emblem. It was two ravens who failed to return and warn Noah of the impending flood. Their presence during the aftermath on battlefields has further diminished their reputation, despite their important ecological role of cleaning up carrion and scavenging. Does their funereal dress cause us to suspect the corvids?

Some Alaskan tribes believe the raven uses magic and trickery to bring light to the world. The house raven of India is probably credited with immortality. In Norse mythology, ravens were sacred to the god Odin, whose two ravens—Thought and Memory—kept their master informed of worldly happenings.

Sometimes ravens were carried out to sea in case ships lost their way. The bird would be released and followed in the hope that it would find land. According to tradition, Iceland was discovered this way.

Ravens and crows figure in many Aboriginal stories and legends. The sheen of their immaculate plumage, shimmering light, bright and silvery, provides plenty of material for the spiritual imagination. The local Aboriginal tribe, the Wurundjeri, thought them to be so special that they were a major totemic animal. The Wurundjeri were known as a Waang (or raven) tribe.

Neighbouring tribes had wedge-tailed eagle totems and this was important for the inter-tribal organisation. When mar-



A bird in the hand: An Australian raven, with a ring for study purposes. (Picture by Don Merton)

riage partners were sought, they had to be from the opposite totem; thus eagle married raven. This type of social division was true for the whole of the Australian Aboriginal society, only the totemic creatures for each group changed.

The intelligence and quick-wittedness of the corvids often enabled them to exploit opportunities created by human activities and also to frustrate attempts to eradicate them. Despite a history of persecution since settlement, ravens have thrived.

It is probable that many species of corvid around the world became camp followers of humans when they were at the hunting and gathering stage. Then they followed humans to the agricultural stage, taking advantage of grain, insects, offal and such. Modern rubbish tips and middens of the past offer rich pickings to the early bird.

There are two corvids living in the Warrandyte forests of the Yarra Valley, the Australian raven and the little raven. Strictly speaking, there are no crows that live this far south. These two species of raven share the same forest resources and usually avoid competition by employing different ecologies and social organisation.

The slightly larger Australian raven is found in all mainland states. It is a territorial bird with separate breeding pairs defending a large, defined area in which they remain throughout the year. It is omnivorous but specialises in eating flesh. Its call is described as a slow, high-pitched wailing with a strangled, dying finish. It also fans out its throat feathers (hackles) as it calls, a good identification feature.

The little raven lives across the bottom half of south-east

Australia and moves in large nomadic flocks. Even when they nest in small loose colonies. Often flocks take part in spectacular aerial acrobatics, rhythmically twisting and turning in noisy, excited swirls.

When calling from a perch, the little raven will flick both wings a little above its back. The call itself is a rapid guttural bark, sharp, distinct and evocative as any of the bushland sounds. To avoid major competition with the Australian raven, the little raven specialises in eating insects, although it is also omnivorous.

Australian ravens store food, as do most other corvids. They will collect food when there is a surplus, such as an unguarded loaf of bread, and store it in caches around its territory. In other countries, corvids practising food storage of acorns have led to the growing of oak trees when the cache has germinated.

Australian ravens also practice anting; applying ants to the plumage to maintain feathers and discourage parasites. They will passively ant themselves by sitting on an ant nest, but it is important they choose the correct ant species and use worker ants not soldier ants.

The color of corvids has an important bearing on their character and behaviour, providing many advantages. The black, impeccably groomed feathers are protected by a heavy deposit of dark melanin pigment. Black absorbs solar heat very efficiently which makes it easier to maintain body temperature.

A social advantage of black is that it is easily seen against most landscapes. Two similar-looking species of corvid have a defence advantage from mutual predators because of their apparent

greater numbers. A human example of this is the obvious social advantage of the black dinner suit!

There is something uncanny about the understanding and intimate knowledge that ravens and crows have of our behavior. They always seem to be just moving off to a place out of view. Their harsh call repels you rather than attracts you. Sharp white eyes distinguish food from rubbish or a gun from a stick. They have very effective flight manoeuvres to dodge boomerangs and bullets.

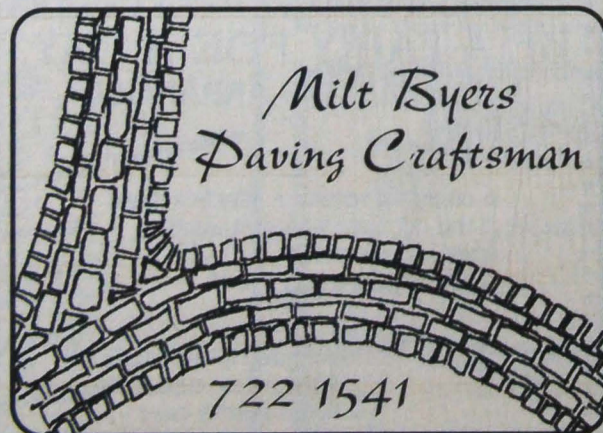
Ravens play the straight man to perfection. We don't realise with what simple perfection they control the play of the forests.

One sunny lunchtime, my attention was drawn to a massive yellow box that overlooked the Plenty River Gorge. I kept staring at the tree but couldn't quite comprehend what was attracting my attention. I did notice, however, an apparent luminescence that seemed to emanate from the leaves. Several times I looked, then suddenly, a murder of ravens, as it is called, flew from the tree. Perhaps 30 to 40 birds had been in the tree with their glistening plumage and I had not observed one until they changed from silver to black and flew away. I was spellbound by this image of raven enchantment.

Perhaps you are wondering just what is the difference between a raven and a crow? A bird in the hand may be necessary! The throat feathers (throat hackles) are white at the base for crows and completely black for ravens. If you wish to pursue more stories about the enchanting corvid family try *Crows of the World* by D. Goodwin to which I am greatly indebted for this article.

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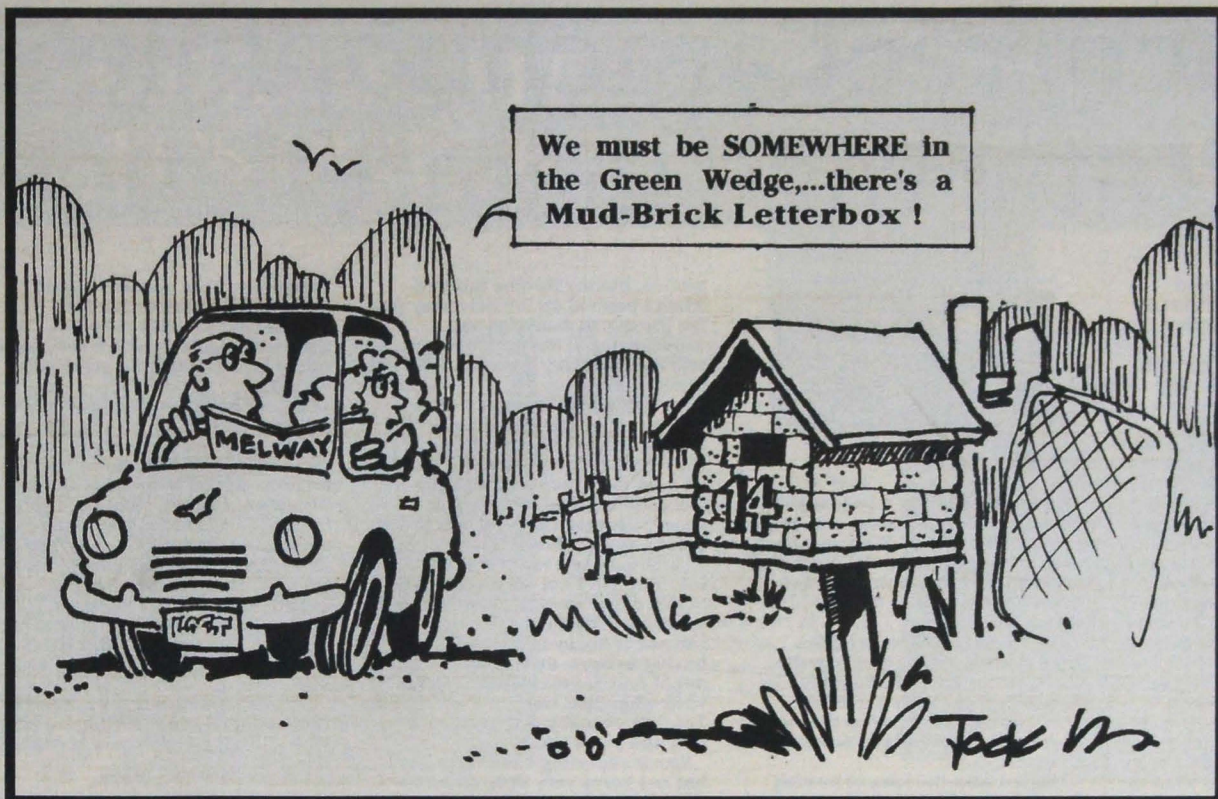


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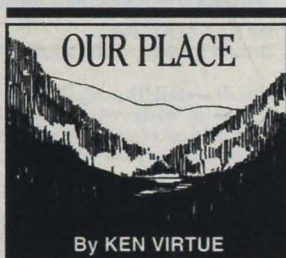
I know it seems fairly simple. Firstly, it should start when you switch it on and pull the cord. Right away we've got a problem.

You see I know that everyone that sells or services them has access to some

secret starting code. Unfortunately, these codes are not available to we humble weekend woodcutters.

I've proven this on many occasions. After my initial gentle yanks on that cord I'll admit that the subsequent tugs are somewhat more frenzied.

Invariably I yield before my blood pressure reaches high octane levels and off I slink to the nearest two stroke repair shop.



There they invoke the code, hang it casually upside down, and with one secret motion on the pull-starter, the machine roars into life. I hate that.

Secondly, it should keep running after it starts. The one I've got has a hidden internal time switch.

It waits until you think it's warmed up. It even waits until you put on your goggles, gloves and earmuffs. Then it stops.

It just bloody-well stops. Sure, sometimes it splutters first. Just to really get you going.

In the old days I used to keep trying to re-start it. I'm not even sure that the damned things aren't capable of smirking.

Now I just head for the

repair shop, if it even develops a slight snuffle.

Thirdly, it should stay fixed for longer than it takes to empty one tank of meticulously measured 25:1 fuel.

Fellow sufferers will know the feeling of just getting through the first few logs.

You start to build a decent pile of firewood. Your spirits start to surge. Maybe the curse has been lifted? Then it stops.

Chainsaws can sense such burgeoning elation and then strike with deadly effect. The ensuing problems are in inverse proportion to the last repair bill.

Instead of government grants for investigating the mating habits of ambidextrous marsupials I think we all need to lobby our Warrandyte ward councillors to get a big research grant to build an unbustable bicentennial brushcutter.

Why don't Vic'ta make chainsaws? Because they know that the problem needs federal funding.

Do any of Australia's 200 richest people make or sell chainsaws? No. They're rich, not silly.

I rest my case, and my residual sanity. Please help.

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There is no mystery about how Kangaroo Ground Road got its name, but like many streets in the area, it has undergone a name change. According to Andrew Ross, Kangaroo Ground's first school teacher, it was originally Andersons Creek Road.

Ross was a remarkable man—school teacher, postmaster, publican and preacher. He ran the school as an agricultural and technical college and also as a boarding school.

Before the road was made, Ross found himself at Warrandyte and decided to walk home, arriving as the sun was rising.

Later he described a drive by springcart from Kangaroo Ground to Anderson's Creek. He took two pupils armed with hatchets to hack their way through the scrub. Finally they arrived at the newly-completed bridge.

Some idea of how isolated the communities were in those days can be gained from the fact that Andrew Ross was not aware gold had been discovered at Andersons Creek until some four years after the event.

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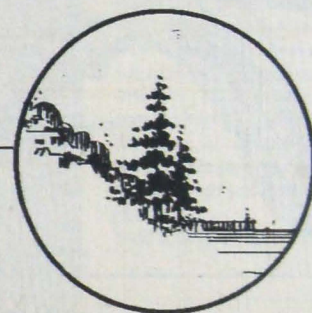
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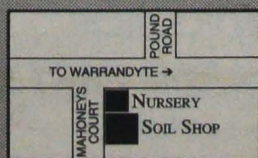
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Politically incorrect arachnophile's guide to necrotic rage maintenance

COME on Mike, play fair! How could anything called *Lampona cylindrata* be harmless?

Two months ago, for those with poor memories, I recounted how Herself had been mauled by a deadly necrosis-inducing white-tailed spider, only to be blown out of the water by our local apothecary, Mike Coupar, who assured us all last month that the *Lampona* has been lampooned unfairly and that it may be a rare soil microbe that is the real culprit.

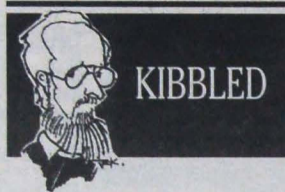
What is left to us in life if all our folk stories, homespun remedies and irrational fears are destroyed by experts spouting truths? Good heavens, next we'll be told that the Yeti doesn't exist, that a camphor block worn around the neck doesn't cure a cold, that thistle milk on a wart is ineffective and that sharks don't have Roger spotters and walkie talkies at every beach I go to.

Well, here I am, crushed and deflated. You know how to hurt a guy, Mike. You may have raised the self-esteem of innumerable *Cylindrata*s, but I've been knocked for a six. I've told Herself to stop whingeing, to plug the wound with Blue Tack and to stop itching.

But in some ways I'm grateful to Mike. He's cleared up my concern about the racial purity of the little critter and he's proved that someone actually reads my scribbles. This in itself has made me take stock.

If I have unwittingly turned all Warrandyte's arachnophiles against me, and so easily, how many other gaffes have I made and how many other interest groups have I alienated unknowingly? How many of you have become my unpaid shrinks?

How much politically incorrect vocabulary have I used? Cliff Green, our beloved co-editor, does what he can to clean up my act, but he can



only do so much.

And as for sharing a page with the Coupars! This, obviously, was a plot to have all the 'real' Warrandytians slide up from reading the good stuff to skim through Kibbled to remind themselves why they have to maintain their rage.

The result has been writer's constipation. I was going to write about our progress in building our new, extraordinarily expensive beach house, but decided that would be insensitive in today's economic climate.

I flirted with the idea of turning June's column into a tour of our

garden, but my resolve faltered when I panned up the driveway past the grevilleas, banksias and callistemons to the potted azaleas and the giveaway geraniums. No joy there!

For a moment I contemplated talking about our pit bull terriers and the fun the alsation had with the tree loppers when they came to do a bit of radical pruning, but journalistic integrity gave way to concern for my car tyres and how bombproof my house is.

Finally, I came up with the solution. Why not do what the rest of this paper's writers have realised years ago? Massage other egos instead of my own. Instead of having to come up with something out of nothing each month, I could write about the wags of Warrandyte. Too late, Smokey Joe twiggled to that one year ago.

Sports reporting could be a goer, but as I know very little about it, that's ruled out too. The Green

Wedge has been cornered, so it looks like I'll have to run the gauntlet each month. After all, I'm not being paid this ludicrously high salary to wilt when the going gets necrotic.

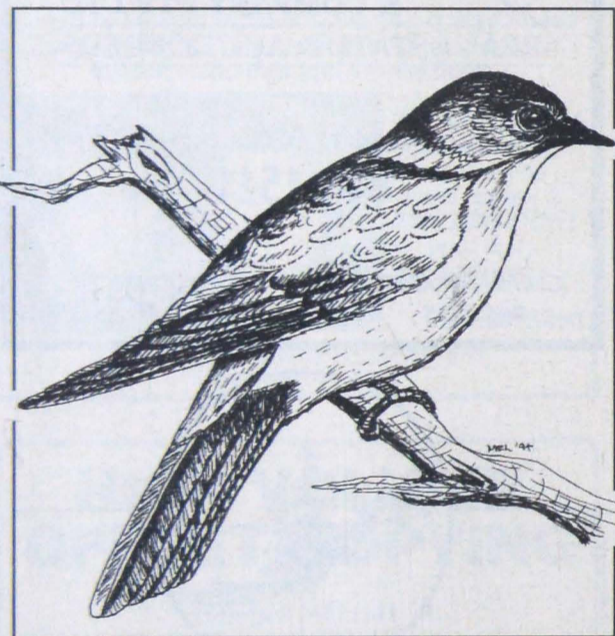
So here goes; another fearless article.

"Last week I was planting out some more eucalypts in the spots hitherto sullied by plums and other distasteful exotics. I had put up the nesting boxes, fed the resident spiders and had read a consciousness-raising pamphlet about how I alone was responsible for the destruction of the ozone layer, overpopulation and tinea. I was appalled and turned to Herself, sorry, to my significant other, and said..."

Oh, stuff it, Mike! It's not me. If I can't get it right all the time, at least I'll try to get it right some of the time.

ROGER KIBELL

A walk through winter wonderland



AS our pirouetting planet does its elliptical whirl around the sun, so the seasons change. It is June and the time of the winter solstice is near. Soon the sun will be at its lowest point in the southern sky. In Antarctica it does not rise above the horizon for a whole month. The thought of a polar winter on this desolate frozen continent makes winter in Warrandyte seem positively inviting. And in many ways it is.

One advantage of the coldest season is that popular tourist spots can be enjoyed without distraction. And it isn't only the weather keeping crowds away. Football has the same effect. Every weekend throughout the season, Melbourneans are drawn from every suburb into the great footy vortex.

One area of the State Park to benefit from this drop in visitor numbers is Pound Bend. The day I went there, the large car park was empty and the grassy picnic

NATURE

By PAT COUPAR
Drawn by MELANIE COUPAR

area deserted. The day itself was typical of early winter with a weak, low-arching sun struggling to break through the damp grey mist.

Starting from the northern end of the picnic area, I followed the river track upstream as it meandered around cream-trunked manna gums and mint-scented christmas bush. On one of the wooden bridges I paused as, from the trees, an assortment of cheeps and twitters caught my ear. A number of small birds were flitting around the branches assiduously searching for insects. One of the feathered foragers came down for a closer look. It was a yellow robin—a small, somewhat plump grey bird with an apron of bright yellow. We regarded each other with interest. Such trust and friendliness

is the downfall of these little birds, as they often fall prey to ferocious feline hunters on the loose.

It is quite common, in winter, for some resident birds to form mixed flocks. They fly together through the forest seeking the best feeding places. Apart from a few nomadic currawongs and red-breasted robins, these resident birds have the bush to themselves. The cuckoos, orioles and other migrant birds, like summer tourists are long gone.

From the bridge I watched the river flowing like liquid caramel over the ancient sandstone rocks which line its bed. A winter breeze stirred the trees and the sun-dappled wooden bridge reflected the rhythm of the bush. Solitude can do strange things. The sound of the water blended with the rustle of leaves and the voices of birds, producing a strangely euphoric effect. I am always amazed at the intense feeling of physical and spiritual well-being such surroundings bring.

If they are to remain as natural sanctuaries these areas of public land must have custodians, and the keepers of the Pound are the park rangers. The scales are in their hands, but the balance is not always easy to find. The rangers must ensure that the access and facilities they provide for the public do not destroy the natural values for which the area is conserved. The bridge on which I was standing is a fine example of their success. It is one of several constructed recently along this track. Built into the contours of the land, the bridges cause minimum disturbance to the vegetation and most importantly will help prevent further erosion of the gullies over which they cross.

The walking track, as its name suggests, is for the benefit of walkers and as such dogs, horses and more recently bicycles have been excluded. So if footy is not your addiction, or even if it is, take time out for a stroll along this leafy trail and enjoy the tranquillity of a Warrandyte winter retreat.

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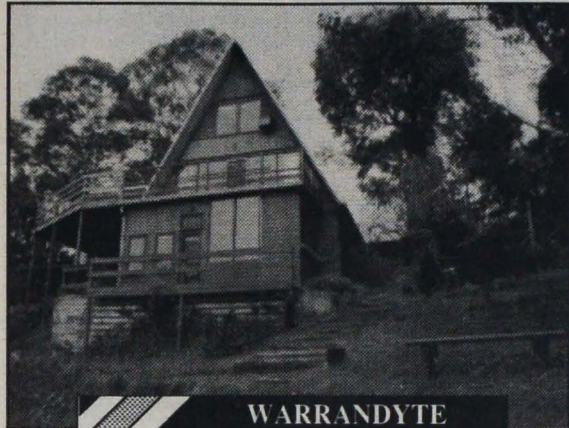
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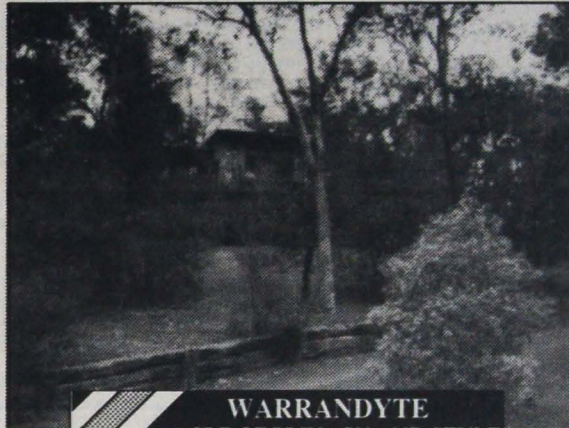


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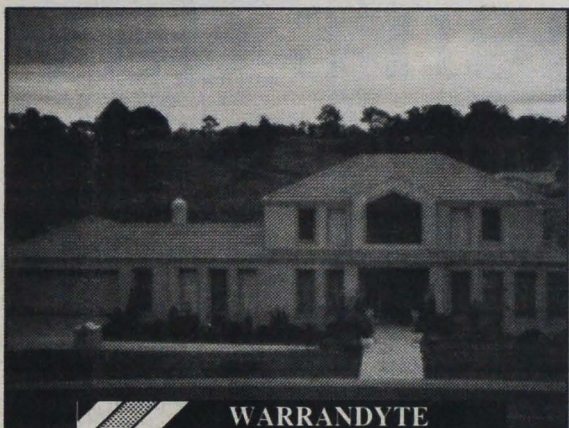
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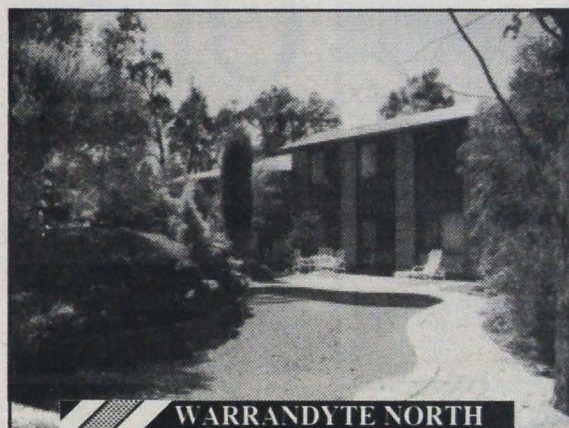
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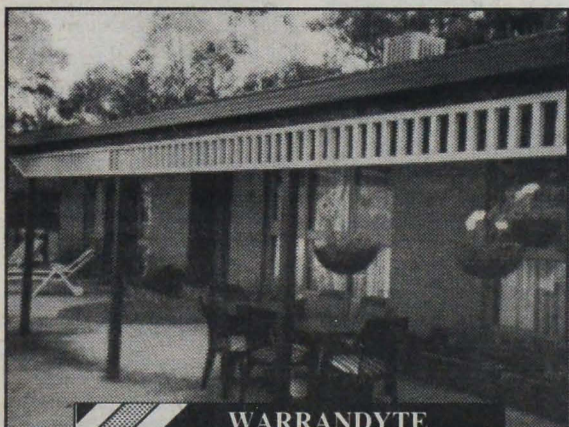
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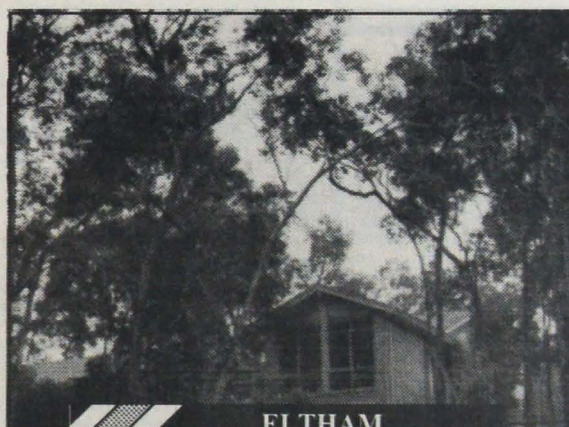
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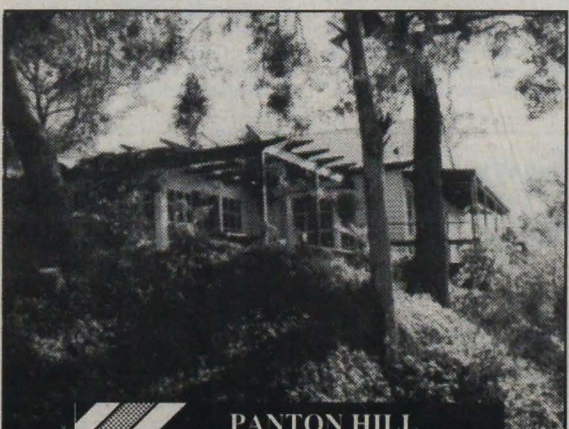
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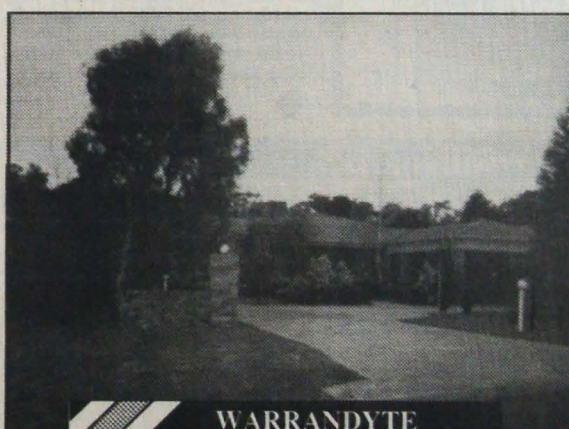
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No second chances for cup contenders

By CLINTON GRYPAS

Warrandyte Basketball Club's Greyburn Cup season is building to a thrilling finish, with the finals make-up hingeing on the last game of the 14-week men's season.

Defending premiers TRHC meet expansion team The Hooters in the season's final match, with the winners making the play-offs and the loser eliminated.

The Hooters, from North Ringwood, have shown patches of brilliance this season and go in narrow favourites to win the last remaining berth. If TRHC lose it will be the first time a premier side have not made the finals the following season.

It is an indication of the vast improvement in the standard of the competition this season.

Whichever side make it, they will have a legitimate shot at winning the grand final, despite Makeshift's apparent luck with a 10-0 record.

Injuries have hit Makeshift at just the wrong time and they are short on numbers, but with Chris McIntosh again leading all scorers (25 points average), they remain tough to beat.

They also know all about finals basket-



ball, having won more flags than any other team in the 1990s.

The Darkhorses are second and again look threatening, but traditionally the play-offs are not kind to them. This time, however, things might be different.

Led by former Redback Juniors Mark Egglestone, David Simpson and Doug Harding, their never-say-die attitude ensures that opponents play it right out.

One such recent case was against the Hitmen, who led early 36-17 and then 47-40 with just 17 seconds left. The Darkhorses stormed back and just missed a game-tying shot on the siren.

Former Hitmen star John Moore has re-joined David Thwaites and Nick Arnott to

lead an assault on arch-rivals Makeshift. Their recent encounter was a thriller, the lead changing hands a dozen times in the second half.

Moore's buzzer-beater at the death fell agonizingly short for a one-point Hitmen loss.

If the two meet again in the final, sparks are sure to fly.

The finals are played over three Wednesdays beginning on June 15, with the grand final on June 29 at 8.30pm. Entry is free at the Warrandyte High School stadium.

The curtain-raiser will be the over-30 section final. The 11-1 Plastics seem certain to repeat as champs, but their final foes, Andersons Creek or the Wobblers, have both extended them this season.

The big month of basketball will conclude the following night, June 30, with the inaugural final of the women's Grand Hotel Cup. The PP Champs are expected to win it.

Older women's day

The Outer Eastern Women's Health Service have arranged a series of older women's 'health festivals'. Designed for women over 55, these aim to change society's misconceptions about ageing and to celebrate the energy, potential and achievements of elder women. The group, together with Doncaster council and the Bulleen and Templestowe Community House, have organised a festival to be held at the Bulleen and Templestowe Community House on Friday, June 17 from 9am to 4pm. Activities will include guest speakers and a range of workshops, entertainment, leisure activities and health information. Cost is \$5, which includes lunch and morning and afternoon tea. Registration for workshops can be made on the day, but participants are advised to be early. For further information contact Julie Hassard on 879 2199 or Lynley Dumble on 840 9377.



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Dinner

The churches of Warrandyte and Park Orchards have organised an inter-church dinner, to be held at Alfreds Homestead on Thursday, August 18. All are welcome. Tickets, costing \$16 each, are available through any of the churches.

Arthritis

The Arthritis Foundation of Victoria will hold a self-help course at the Warrandyte Community Centre, commencing Thursday, July 28, between 1 and 3pm, and running for six weeks. The course will cost \$37, including a copy of The Arthritis Handbook. Participants may bring along a spouse, partner, relative or friend for a further \$7 fee. Practical sessions will include exercises, relaxation techniques and hints on how to manage everyday activities. For further information, contact Terry Kain on 872 4030.

Mums

The Warrandyte group of the Nursing Mothers Association meets regularly and welcomes all pregnant women and mothers of babies and toddlers. On Tuesday, June 14 at 8pm at 12 Pamela Court, Warrandyte, the guest speaker will be a podiatrist discussing children's feet and shoes. On Wednesday, June 22 at 10am, a gathering for morning coffee will be held at 21 Floods Road. For further information ring Maree on 844 2897 or Judy on 844 3150.

Volunteers

The Warrandyte meals-on-wheels service, which has operated in the community for more than 30 years, is in need of help. Both drivers and jockeys are required to assist with the delivery of meals. If you can donate a little time to this worthy and satisfying cause, please contact Judith Wood on 844 3848.

Pre-school

Places are still available for 4 year-old kinder during 1995 at the Warrandyte and District Pre-school in Taroona Avenue. The kinder offers experienced teachers and an exciting program in their new modern building. For information and enrolment forms ring Lisa Saunders on 844 1921.

Thanks

Basil Holland, well-known around the community centre and the Citizens' Advice Bureau, is now well on the way to recovery following extensive surgery. He has asked us to pass on thanks to his many friends for their cards, visits, phone calls and gifts during his time in hospital.

Assisi

Assisi House, a local group assisting people find emergency accommodation, is holding their annual general meeting on Mon-

day, June 20 at 7.30pm at the Warrandyte Community Centre in Yarra Street. All are welcome.

Neighbors

Warrandyte Neighbourhood House, which operates at the Warrandyte Community Centre in Yarra Street, provides a warm and friendly meeting place for members of the community as well as organising numerous classes and workshops. They provide information on such services in the area as activity and support groups. They are also responsible for a number of community activities, including the book exchange, creche, community transport, community market and the police and community service group. For information call 844 1839.

Success

Local piano students taught by Jenny Valentine received the following results in their recent AMEB examinations. Preliminary—David Baird (A), Gareth Baird (A), Nellie Hodgson (B). Grade 1—Danica Pasinis (B). Grade 3—Patricia Wilmot (B+).

Wind-up

A meeting of shareholders of the Warrandyte Community Workshop Cooperative Ltd will be held on Wednesday, June 22 at 8pm at the Neighbourhood House in the Warrandyte Community Centre. The purpose of the meeting is to wind-up the cooperative society.

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Hogg takes on top job

By CLINTON GRYPBAS

Former Test fast bowler Rodney Hogg will captain Warrandyte Cricket Club's senior eleven in the 1994-95 season.

With former captain-coach John Sharman moving to England for two years on business, Hogg was the logical choice to lead the Chandler Shield team, runners-up last season.

Club president Steve Pascoe is delighted that Hogg has accepted the position and said his experience proved invaluable last season.

"We're certainly very grateful. It is a privilege to have someone of that ilk wanting to be involved," Pascoe said.

Hogg, who led the club's bowling averages last season, will not be coaching the team. Three senior players will share the coaching responsibilities for the club's five senior sides.

Gerald Walshe and Tony Sturesteps have been confirmed for two of the spots, with the third coach to be announced shortly.

They may have a lot of rebuilding to do. Apart from Sharman, valuable all-rounder Harry Drysdale has left the club and other players, including opening bat Andrew Hood, who was mentioned as a candidate for one of the coaching jobs, are regarded as doubtful starters for next season.

Pascoe told the club's annual general meeting last month that the "need for new blood is paramount".

"We need quite an infusion of new talent who can hold down a position in one of the top two grades.

"We've got the talent within the club to ensure that we're competitive—a lot of them only have to apply themselves more," he said.

Pascoe said the club would not go out with dollars in hand to buy a coach or top players.

"We're in a unique situation where the players really are representing a town, not just a club," he said. "The atmosphere is friendly and facilities are second to none—that gives much more hold than a few dollars in the hand."

In his column in the club's annual report, Pascoe paid a



Rodney Hogg. 'Privilege to have him involved.'

final tribute to Sharman's three years at the helm:

"He applied his skills, intensity and single-minded focus on high achievement to change the manner in which most of our members approached the game.

"Some couldn't handle it; some saw it as a challenge; some thrived; but all who adhered to the disciplines John subscribed certainly became better cricketers for his influence."

Pascoe was re-elected unopposed at the meeting, as were Jenni McLaws (treasurer) and Anne Pascoe (secretary).

The entire committee also was all re-elected with the exception of Jim Gathercole, who retired after leading the fourths to the premierships last season.

By LEE TINDALE

Warrandyte Football Club have booked themselves a place in the EDFL second division finals by making a mockery of pessimistic pre-season predictions.

The Bloods have won seven of their nine games to the halfway mark of the home-and-away season to be second on the ladder, two games behind premiers favourites Donvale and a game clear of Lilydale.

Club president Lawrie Sloan admits performances have far exceeded his and general expectations.

"After such a disappointing pre-season I thought we'd win eight games for the year," Mr Sloan said. "Obviously we're delighted to have won seven out of nine."

He warned, however, that the second half of the season would be tougher.

"A lot of the other clubs hadn't seen us play and underestimated us," he said. "They've all seen us now and they'll be better prepared in the return games. So, yes, it will be tougher."

The president singled out the 18-point win at home against Lilydale on May 28 as the Bloods' best performance of 1994 so far.

"We came from behind against a highly-rated opposition and it was great stuff," he said.

"It was one of the best performances by Warrandyte in my long association with the club."

Coach David Purcell is "just rapt" to have the Bloods up there, but warns that injuries could take a big hand in the run home to the finals.

"Little has changed, really, from our terrible pre-season," Purcell told the *Diary*.

"We're still not getting the num-

'No-hoppers' just keep on keeping on

bers to training. The attendance on Tuesday nights is a joke and although it improves on Thursdays, we still badly lack depth.

"We just cannot afford injuries." Purcell was speaking after the Bloods' 37-point away win over bottom side South Croydon, a much closer affair than the final scoreline of 21.13 (139) to 16.6 (102) indicated.

South Croydon have yet to win this season but fancied themselves against Warrandyte and gave the visitors no peace.

It was always difficult to keep track of the exact state of play because the scoreboard was erratic, to say the very least.

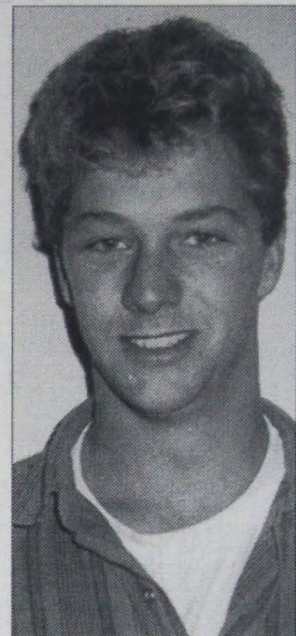
South Croydon kicked the game's first two goals before the final score of the reserves match was taken from the board and it was sheer guesswork for spectators thereafter.

Goals to defender Rod Valentine and full-forward Lachlan McLean levelled the score halfway through the first term and straight kicking by McLean and Trent Ferguson sent the Bloods into the first change with a six-point lead, 4.1 to 3.1.

South Croydon took the early initiative in the second quarter and twice drew on terms before Warrandyte kicked away.

Two goals to Paul Hay and contributions from Darren Murphy and Glen McCartin saw the Bloods slip away to a four-goal lead, and it looked a case of how far.

South Croydon stemmed the



Cam Day. Outstanding game against South Croydon.

tide with a goal at the 19-minute mark, but Hay's third for the quarter four minutes later restored a feeling of well-being to the Warrandyte faithful.

Not for long. Without warning, South Croydon found a way to break the ball out of the centre and left the favourites flat-footed as they booted four goals in as many minutes.

Warrandyte were shell-shocked, and very happy to hear the siren that sent them into the interval with a four-point lead.

The Bloods regrouped during the break and looked like stamping their authority on the game early in the third term with goals to McLean and Darren Peters,

But the hosts continued to serve it right up and only sheer desperation kept Warrandyte in front.

Matt Grybas extended the cushion to 22 points halfway through the quarter, but the Bulldogs rebounded again and a goal on the siren pared the leeway to 14 points.

Purcell told his players that the first 15 minutes of the last term were going to be crucial. He reminded them that he wanted to have a good time at the black-tie dinner back at the clubrooms that night—and he wasn't going to have a good time unless Warrandyte won.

His troops got the message. Young first-gamer Matthew Close put his mark on the game when he snapped a goal after five minutes and when Peters marked and kicked truly two minutes later, the gate appeared to have been shut.

Not yet. To their great credit, South Croydon came back for the umpteenth time, kicking the next two to trail by 17 points. Peters goaled again at 13 minutes, but South responded four minutes later. It was, however, to be their last productive thrust.

McLean goaled twice and Close capped a fine senior debut by kicking his second to put the issue way out of South Croydon's control.

The Bloods' best were Cam Day (an outstanding game) Hay, Peters, Ferguson and Close.

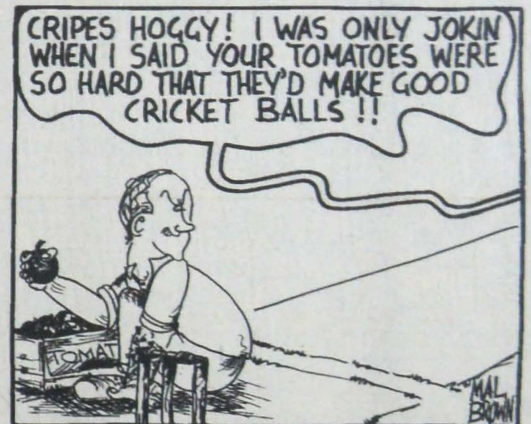
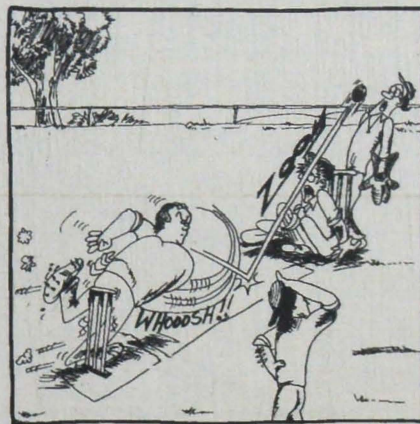
The reserves saved their best until last but went down by 14 points—15.10 (100) to 12.14 (86), if you believed the scoreboard.

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WATTLE GLEN \$139,000 Immaculate 4 bedroom home on a usable allotment close to all services.	WARRANDYTE \$165,000 Comprising 3 bedrooms, lounge/dining room, ensuite and storeroom or childrens playroom and large sundeck.	WARRANDYTE NTH \$218,000 Features include 3BRs, ensuite, BIRs, formal lounge room with reverse cycle air cond., family room with pot belly stove, carport, alarm system, plus separate granny flat.	PANTON HILL \$265,000 Perfect BV home on a park-like 9.75 acre allotment with views to the distant hills.
WARRANDYTE \$139,000 Charming cottage in rustic setting comprising 3 bedrooms, ensuite to master, spacious lounge and kitchen.	WARRANDYTE \$175,000 Comprising 3 generous bedrooms, open plan lounge, dining family room and kitchen. A carport and bungalow is positioned at the rear of the property.	WARRANDYTE NTH \$225,000 From the solar heated pool, spa and river frontage, this home comprises 3BRs, ensuite to master, large living area with aircond'g.	WARRANDYTE \$269,000 Generous family home in great location offers 4BRs, study, workshop, formal lounge, dining, family room, huge rumpus with bar, 2 bathrooms, spa room and double carport.
WARRANDYTE \$140,000+ Only a minute away from all facilities, this home features lounge, dining room with stunning views, three good sized bedrooms.	WARRANDYTE \$175,000 Set on 1/3 acre of established trees and shrubs, this older style home comprises large living areas with 2BRs and separate kitchen.	WARRANDYTE NTH \$235,000 Family home comprises 4BRs, 3 bathrooms, stunning kitchen with granite bench tops, separate dining room, OFP, family room, rumpus & study downstairs.	STRATHEWEN \$270,000 Your own paradise on 58 acres. Family home, extensive shedding and dams complete the perfect picture.
HURSTBRIDGE \$149,000 Truly unique home abounding in character with 3 bedroom, study, 2 living areas all on a generous allotment.	WARRANDYTE \$195,000 Brick veneer 3 bedroom home on fully usable land. Comprises lounge/dining, kitchen, separate toilet and laundry.		WARRANDYTE \$295,000 Superbly designed outside entertaining area includes heated spa and pool. Comprising 3 BRs and study and surrounded by 1 acre of native gardens.
	WARRANDYTE \$199,500 This split level brick veneer home of approximately 25sq is situated in one of Warrandyte's most sought after streets and offers 4BRs plus study.	WARRANDYTE \$239,000 Four genuine bedroom tri-level home in a quiet convenient location at an affordable price.	SMITHS GULLY \$300,000 Superb mudbrick home on approx 22 acres of natural bush and fauna. Also features 4 dams and huge workshop.
WARRANDYTE \$154,000 Well presented 3 BR split level home boasts spacious open plan living with cathedral ceilings, OFP, plus reverse cycle airconditioning.	WARRANDYTE \$200,000+ Comprises 3 bedrooms, ensuite, lounge room, separate dining, well appointed, kitchen and separate laundry.	WARRANDYTE \$245,000 This 4BR home gives the growing family the opportunity to experience country living without compromising on quality or location.	WARRANDYTE \$330,000 Featuring an 18 square home with verandahs all round, this home comprises 4 bedroom, with ensuite to master.



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